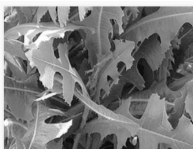


RESILIENT EDIBLE PLANTS



Wild Lettuce

There are scores of varieties of wild lettuce, each with a different leaf shape and growth habits. Some have long thin oblong ...



Wild Radish

The wild radish plant (Raphanus raphanistrum) is quite similar to wild mustard, and is in fact a member of the brassicaceae (mustard) ...



Wild Mustard

Wild mustard sprouts up in early Spring as small green leafy bunches close to the ground. In fields with rich soil and ...



Pineapple Weed

People often mistake pineapple weed for chamomile. I myself made this easy mistake when I first started noticing it growing along the ...



Wild Rose

Like domestic roses, the flowers and hips of wild roses are edible. They're a great source of vitamin C. Most famously, rose ...



Yucca

I think of yucca as Southwest manna. It's one of the most useful and interesting plants. feels like a gift. Uses include ...



Wood Sorrel

Wood sorrel looks a lot like a large shamrock. Its heart-shaped leaves are folded through the middle, and grow in groups of ...



Desert Chia Sage

Botanical name: Salvia columbariae I first encountered this plant while hiking an Apple Valley trail. Its flower buds clued me that it ...



Prickly Pear Cactus

Prickly pear cactus is a wild edible that's also cultivated here in Southern Cal. You can find it growing in the hills ...



Rocket

Rocket is in the mustard family and can generally be found growing alongside field mustard. This plant is much less densely leafed ...



Olives

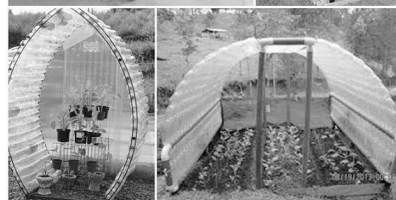
Olive trees grow all over the San Fernando Valley. Native to the Mediterranean, missionaries planted them here in the 1800s. By now, ...



Peruvian Apple Cactus

Like all cactus, the Peruvian Apple cactus' buds and fruit are edible. Its gorgeous big showy white flowers make it a very ...

DIY GREENHOUSES



Chickweed



Dandelion



Mallow



Mallow

Mallow is a soft-tasty leaf good in fresh salads. Use it like lettuce and other leafy greens. You may find the ...



Common Purslane



Sow thistles



Common Nettle



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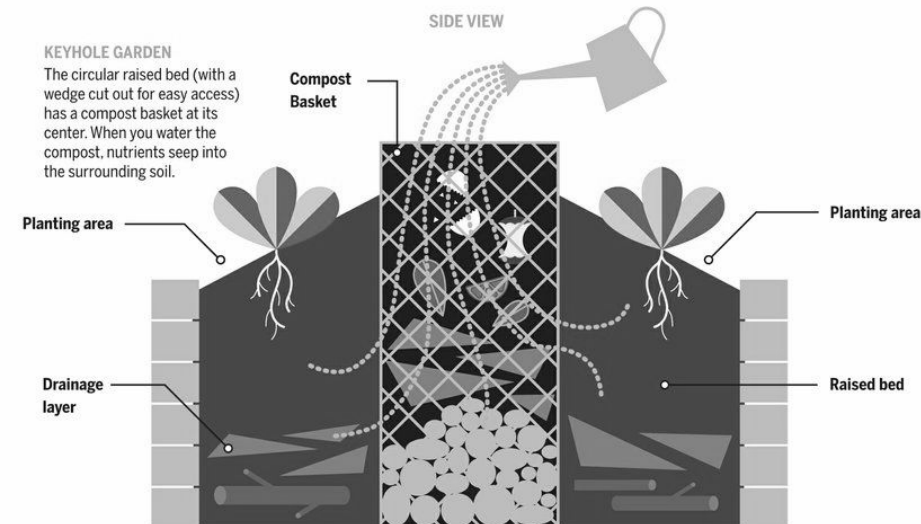
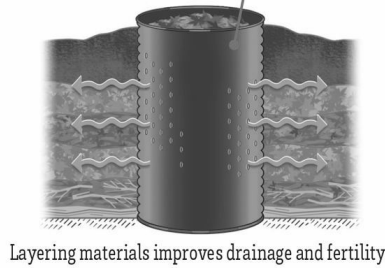
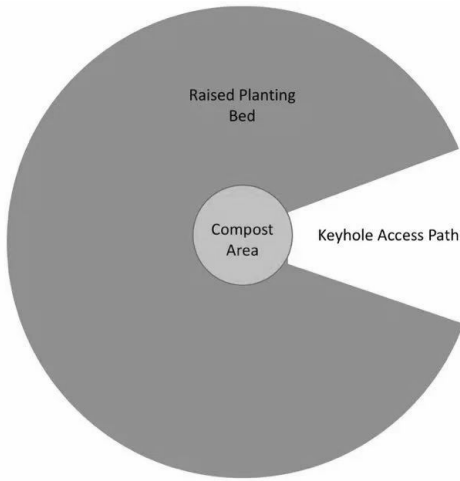
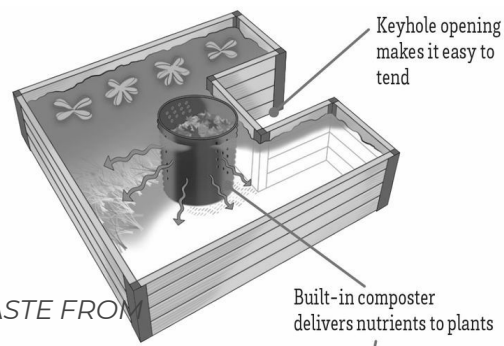
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DIY CONTAINER GARDENS

NO YARD? NO PROBLEM!

- REUSE EMPTY FOOD, CLEANING AND STORAGE CONTAINERS
- CREATE HORIZONTAL & VERTICAL SPACES FOR PLANTS TO GROW
- OPTIMIZE SMALL SPACES BY COMBINING LEVELS OF GROWING.

VERTICAL GARDENS



REUSE GARDENS



RAISED BEDS



GARDEN TIP

Container Gardening

Gardening in pots and containers is a great way to experiment with garden design. Keep these rules in mind to ensure that your potted plants survive.

DISINFECTING
To avoid bugs and plant diseases make sure all plant containers are clean. Wash containers with soap and water, rinse, and let air dry.

SOIL MIX
A good potting soil contains organic nutrients and should be able to drain well and keep the soil at optimum moisture levels.

CONTAINER FILLER
Using filler materials in the bottom of pots require less soil and your plants will still flourish. Materials such as packing peanuts, pop bottles, plastic containers, aluminum cans and other recycled items can be used.

COVER DRAIN HOLES
Place a screen over holes to prevent soil and filler material from draining out.

